

SPRING VALLEY FUDS MONTHLY PROJECT SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 2013

This monthly Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) project summary is provided by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District, as part of its ongoing efforts to make information regarding the neighborhood investigation more accessible to community members, elected officials, Restoration Advisory Board members, and other interested stakeholders. Specifically, the monthly update is produced to provide those who follow the project with a current snapshot of regulatory partnering, planning and field activities, and is not designed to provide historical information or an overview of the project. Those individuals interested in broader project information, or who have follow-up questions regarding this update, are invited to contact our Community Outreach Team at 410-962-0157. You may also contact our project regulatory partners, James Sweeney (DDOE) at 202-535-2289 or Steven Hirsh (US EPA) at 215-814-3352.

4825 Glenbrook Road NW

- > The crews continued working under the Engineering Control Structure. The team continued to remove retaining walls, basement foundation walls, and the walkways in the front yard of the property, and transport the associated soil and rubble from the site.
- Crews conducted intrusive excavations under the former front porch of the home. This is near the area in the front yard where we stopped work in March 2010, due to the discovery of arsenic trichloride. During the week of November 18, crews recovered an empty 75mm munitions debris item. After thorough assessment of the item, it was determined to be clear of chemical agents and explosives. Additionally crews recovered broken American University Experiment Station-related glassware. No chemical agents have been detected on the air monitors.
- > During the last ten weeks of high probability operations, crews have removed approximately 22 roll-offs full of soil and 6 roll-offs of rubble
- Please note that high probability digging operations will now continue to take place Monday Thursday on a 10-hour, four days per week schedule. Crews will be on site beginning at 6:30 am to prepare for the day, including a morning safety brief and site preparations. High probability intrusive operations will continue to be from 8 am until 4 pm. The crews will remain on the site until approximately 5 pm to secure the site at the end of each day.
- > The site crew will not be on site through the holiday break, which will extend from December 20 January 7. Site security will continue to be present during this time.
- We do not anticipate a need for traffic detours or lane closures since construction traffic will be minimal. Traffic control guards will remain available to direct traffic passing through the 4800 block of Glenbrook Road, particularly when a roll-off is being transported, to help ensure safety. Additionally, a Washington D.C. Municipal Police Department, Special Operations Division squad car will be present on Glenbrook Road to provide support during high probability operations.
- As a reminder, USACE will conduct the monthly test of the Shelter-in-Place notification system on December 4. The sirens will be briefly turn on, and the ring-down notification system will initiate the monthly test message, sent via email, telephone and text message to the nearby residents and other stakeholders participating in the Shelter-in-Place program. This is only a test to verify the system is working and remind nearby residents about the Shelter-in-Place program.
- To learn more about the high probability work please watch this interactive video: http://youtu.be/yVws5UnBuZw.

Groundwater Study

Scheduling and preparations took place for the December groundwater sampling activities. USACE will begin the fall sampling event during the second week of December as part of the extended 2013 groundwater monitoring program. The sampling results from the spring and summer 2013 sampling are currently being reviewed by the Partners.

Website Information

- Our selected archived Spring Valley project documents have been moved and are now on a Google site: http://springvalley.ertcorp.com/. These documents were most recently housed on a SharePoint site that required a username and password. This new site is public and does not require a username and password to assist in ease of access to these selected archived project documents.
- For more information on Spring Valley projects and pictures of recent activities, visit our project website at: www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley. New pictures and updates are posted weekly on the 4825 Glenbrook Road page of the website.

Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

- The next RAB meeting will be the first one of the New Year, on Tuesday, January 14 at 7 pm. The RAB only meets during the odd months of the year.
- The RAB currently meets in the 'Undercroft' meeting room at St. David's Episcopal Church, 5150 Macomb Street NW, Washington, D.C. These meetings are open to the public.